



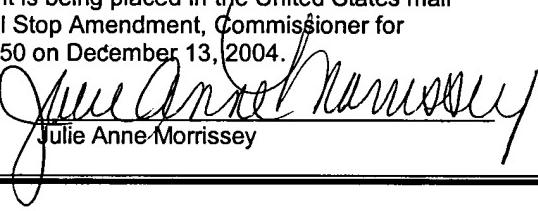
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

Docket No. B0004/7110

Applicant: Jochen Franzen
Serial No: 10/624,913
Filed: July 22, 2003
For: IONIZATION AT ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE FOR MASS
SPECTROMETRIC ANALYSES
Examiner: J. Leybourne
Art Unit: 2881

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application up to, and including, December 13, 2004.

Small Entity

Applicant claims small entity status

Extension

The requested extension and the appropriate fee are as follows:

- One month (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1)) \$120.00
 Two months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2))
 Three months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3))
 Four months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(4))
 Five months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5))

Reduction by one-half for request by small entity

Total Fee: \$120.00

Payment

- A check in the amount of the extension fee is enclosed.
 The extension fee is included in a fee payment made in connection with papers accompanying this petition.

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- Charge the extension fee to deposit account no. 02-3038. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account no. 02-3038.

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